CENTER FOR THE ARTS

ocated in Bloomington Civic Plaza at the corner of West 98th Street and Old Shakopee Road, the Center for the Arts is a first-class facility housing six ■arts organizations. For facility information, call 952-563-8889. For exhibit information and events, visit www.bloomingtonartcenter.com and click on Exhibitions, or call 952-563-8567.

GALLERY HOURS

Hours: M - F 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Sa 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Su 1 - 10 p.m.

For all theater tickets, call the Box Office at 952-563-8575.

WEBSITE KEYWORDS: **CENTER FOR THE ARTS.**

INEZ GREENBERG GALLERY

CERAMIC EXHIBITION

Curated by artist Steve Hemingway, the Ceramic Exhibition runs February 25 - April 8. Featured artists

include Allison Bohlke, Kate Christopher, Marko Fields, Norman Holen, Peter Jadoonath, Laurie

Landry, Deb LeAir, Robin Murphy, Jef

Raasch and Lazare Rottach. Sponsored by the Home Depot.

ATRIUM GALLERY

NARRA(INTERVEN)TIONS

Narra(interven)tions by artist Micah Bloom, featuring oil and egg tempera paintings that investigate the relationships between domestic harmony and impersonal living spaces, runs through March 6.

BETWEEN HEAVEN AND EARTH

The paintings of Barbara Thill Anderson will be featured in the Atrium Gallery, March 10 - May 1.

SCHNEIDER THEATER



SONGS OF ALEC WILDER

Laura Caviani, Gordy Johnson, Phil Hey and Gwen Anderson present the songs of the great Alec Wilder, Sunday, February 20, 2 p.m. Tickets are \$25 adults; \$19 students/seniors.

MEDALIST CONCERT BAND **SUPPORTS LOAVES & FISHES**

The Medalist Band ended 2010 on a high note with its first annual holiday benefit concert.

The December 2010 "Sounds of the Season" concert raised more than \$600 for Loaves & Fishes, a nonprofit organization that brings nutritious meals to those in need in the Twin Cities. The Valley West Cub Foods donated refreshments for the show.



The Medalist Band's next concert, At the Circus, features the works of Karl King, Harry L. Alford, Henry Filmore and others, Sunday, March 6, 4 p.m. Tickets are \$12 adults; \$10 students/seniors.

TASTE O BENEFITING THE BLOOMINGTON FINE ARTS COUNCIL

2010 TASTE OF CHOCOLATE WINNER

"The Jewel" chocolate truffle cake

by McCormick & Schmick's Seafood

Restaurant, Edina.

Sunday, March 13, 1 - 5 p.m. **Bloomington Center for the Arts** 1800 West Old Shakopee Road

Taste of Chocolate is an annual dessert competition and benefit for Bloomington arts organizations, presented in partnership with the **Bloomington Chamber of Commerce** and sponsored by Minnesota Monthly, Kraus Anderson, Destination Bloomington, Larkin Hoffman Attorneys, Mall of America, The Toro Company and HealthPartners.

Enjoy delectable chocolates by chefs and chocolatiers, entertainment, a silent auction and a raffle drawing for extraordinary prizes.

Tickets are \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. Early admission (12 - 1 p.m.) costs an additional \$10 per ticket. To purchase tickets, stop by the Bloomington Center for the Arts, 1800 West Old Shakopee Road, call 952-563-8562 or visit www.tasteofchocolate.org.

FEATURING CHOCOLATES BY

- Creative Confectionaire.
- Ganache: Truffles for Every Occasion.
- Groveland Confections.
- Jason's Deli, Eden Prairie.
- McCormick and Schmick's Seafood Restaurant, Edina.
- Obrigadeiro.
- Obsession Chocolates.
- Pardon My French Bakery, Café and Wine Bar.
- Patisserie Margo.
- The Art Institutes International of Minnesota.
- The Sweet Swede Candy Shoppe.
- Thomasina's Cashew Brittle.

For more information, call **Bloomington Fine Arts Council** at 952-563-8567 or visit www.bloomingtonfinearts.com.

BLACK BOX THEATER

HOLLYWOOD CABARET **THE 40s!**

Musical director Rick Carlson presents the classic Hollywood songs of the 1940s, featuring Arne Fogel, Maud Hixson and Jennifer Eckes, Saturday, February 26, 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, February 27, 2 p.m.

Hollywood Cabaret tickets are \$18 adults, \$16 students/seniors.



Musical director Tanner Taylor presents classic songs of the 1950s, featuring Arne Fogel, Connie Olson and Connie Evingson, Saturday, March 26,



7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 27, 2 p.m.

GET YOUR PASSPORT AT CIVIC PLAZA CITY MAKES TRA **PLANNING EASY**

re there travel plans in your future? Perhaps a spring break trip or vacation overseas?

The City Clerk's Office, 1800 West Old Shakopee Road, is a designated Passport Acceptance Facility. Passport applications, passport photo services and more are available.

For more information, call 952-563-4923 or visit the City's website.

WEBSITE KEYWORDS: PASSPORT SERVICES.

PLAN YOUR GETAWAY

ON PATROL

THE ART OF SAFE TRAVEL

he last thing you want to think about while on vacation is the possibility of falling victim to a crime, which is exactly why criminals target travelers.

Travelers are often relaxed, unsuspecting and much less conscious of their surroundings when traveling in a new place. Although only three percent of travelers become victims of crime, these crimes can range in severity from simple theft to kidnapping. If you plan on traveling, be sure to follow these safety tips:

To fool criminals, carry a "throw-away" wallet and keep valuables in a travel pouch around your neck. In the throw-away wallet keep an expired credit card and a small amount of cash.

Carry your medication with you, not in your checked luggage. Make extra copies of your passport, airline tickets and hotel information. Give copies to a trusted friend

